



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAA)

Board Meeting Minutes

October 8, 2014

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAA)
Cook County Conference Room
Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

Board Members Present:

Gerald Bennett, CMAA Board Chair-representing southwest Cook County, Rita Athas-representing the City of Chicago, Frank Beal-representing the City of Chicago, Roger Claar-representing Will County, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Al Larson-representing Northwest Cook County, Lisa Laws-representing the City of Chicago, Raul Raymundo-representing the City of Chicago (via tele-conference), Rick Reinbold-representing South Cook County, William Rodeghier-representing West Cook County, Peter Silvestri-representing Suburban Cook County, Rae Rupp Srch-representing DuPage County, Carolyn Schofield-representing McHenry County, Tom Weisner-representing Kane and Kendall Counties and non-voting members Bola Delano and Juan Morado, Jr.,-representing the Office of the Governor and Leanne Redden-representing the MPO Policy Committee.

Staff Present:

Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Dolores Dowdle, Bob Dean, Erin Aleman, Andrew Williams-Clark, Jesse Elam, Jessica Gershman, and Sherry Kane

Others Present:

Gerald Adelman-Openlands, Mike Albin-DMMC, Kristin Andersen-Metra, Reggie Arkell-FTA, Lois Arms-STAND, Andrew Armstrong-ELPC, Katie Armstrong-Unitarian Universalist Church, Heather & George Armstrong-Access Living, Ed Barry-CDC LMCC, Jennifer Becker- Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Richard Bensinger-citizen, Paul Botts-Welands Initiative, Rev. Paul Brown, Len Canata-WCMC, Brian Carlson-IDOT, Bruce Carmitchel-IDOT, Jack Darin-Sierra Club, John Donovan-FHWA, Roger Drolet-IDOT, Rich Duran-Peotone, Mike Forti-IDOT, Maggie Galka-Illinois PIRG, John Greuling-WC CED, Tim Hagerty-IDOT, Virginia Hamman-No Illiana 4 Us, Alicia Hanlon-Will County, Mayor Jim Holland-Village of Frankfort, Dan Johnson-Midwest High Speed Rail Association, Michael Kleinik-CDC LMCC, Patrick Knapp- Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Judith Kossy-PPP, Howard Learner-ELPC, Dorothea Lidd-IDOT, Ashley Lucas-Lake County DOT,

Nathan Mansfield-House Staff, Alan Mellis-former CAC, Stacy Meyers-Openlands, Don Moran-Will County Board (3), Patricia Mussman-farmer, Nick Narducci-Village of Elwood, Judy Ogalla-Will County Board (1), Hugh O'Hara-WCGL, Layton Olson-citizen, Ed Paesel-SSMMA, P.E. Palmer-DCP, Marta Perales-Al Riley's office, Brian Pigeon-NWMC, Mark Pitstick-RTA, Kara Principe-Local 150 Operating Engineers, Steven Quigley-WCGL, Anthony Rayson-No Illiana 4 Us, Rita Renwick-Will County Audubon Society, Lorin Schab-MHA, David Seglin-CDOT, Ron Shimizu-Parsons Brinckerhoff, Frank Shuftan-Cook Count, Peter Skosey-MPC, Kyle Smith-CNT, Mike Sullivan-Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Dawn Marie Tierney-No Illiana 4 Us, Brian Urbaszewski-Respiratory Health Assoc., Tom VanderWoude-SSMMA, Mike VanMill-Kankakee County, Kyle Whitehead-ATA, Tammy Wierciak-WCMC, Elise Ziemann, and Barbara Zubek-Southwest Conference,

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

CMAP Board Chair, Mayor Gerald Bennett, called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m., welcomed new members of the Board (Bola Delano, a former CMAP employee now Deputy Director for Planning and Programming at IDOT and Juan Morado, Jr., a Deputy Chief of Staff in the Office of the Governor) representing the Office of the Governor, and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

2.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2014, meeting of the CMAP Board as presented was made by Commissioner Peter Silvestri and seconded by Rae Rupp Srch. All in favor, the motion carried.

3.0 Public Comment

Generally, those requesting public comment were opposed to or supportive of including the Illiana Expressway project in the GO TO 2040 update. Each was given an opportunity to address the CMAP Board. Alongside each commenter is their position.

Speaker	Representing	Oppose/Support
Judy Ogalla	Will County Board-District 1	oppose
Don Moran	Will County Board-District 3	support
Dawn Marie Tierney	No Illiana 4 Us	oppose
Patricia Mussman	Farmer	oppose
John Greuling	Will County CED	support
Rita Renwick	Will Co. Chapter-Audubon	oppose
Kara Principe	Local 150 Operating Engineers	support
Katie Armstrong	Unitarian Universalist Church	oppose
Mayor Rich Duran	Peotone	support
Lois Arms	STAND	oppose
Mayor Jim Holland	Village of Frankfort	support
Alan Mellis	former member CAC	oppose
Kyle Smith	CNT	oppose

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Jack Darin	Sierra Club	oppose
Maggie Galka	Illinois PIRG	oppose
Virginia Hamman	No Illiana 4 Us	oppose
Richard Bensinger	Citizen	oppose
Layton Olson	Citizen	supports digital economy
Nick Narducci	Village of Elwood	oppose
Brian Urbaszewski	Respiratory Health Assoc.	oppose
Dan Johnson	HSR	supports CrossRail
Jerry Adelman	Openlands	oppose
Paul Botts	Wetlands Initiative	oppose
Andrew Armstrong	ELPC	oppose
Heather Armstrong	Access Living	oppose
Garland Armstrong	Access Living	oppose
Lorin Schab	Midewin Heritage Assoc.	oppose
Peter Skosey	MPC	oppose
Kyle Whitehead	Active Transportation Alliance	oppose
Anthony Rayson	STAND	oppose
Elise Ziemann	Citizen	oppose
Marta Perales	Rep Al Riley office	support
Howard Learner	ELPC	oppose

CMAQ Board Chair Mayor Bennett expressed appreciation to all who had come down to speak.

4.0 GO TO 2040 Update, FFY 2014-19 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and Conformity Determination

CMAQ staff Andrew Williams-Clark reported that following public comments that were discussed by working committees and the CMAQ Board during the month of September, minor edits had been made to the plan update that included clarifying the A-2 flyover (which remains under evaluation as part of the Metra UP West major capital project), updating data on the number of completed CREATE projects and updating the graph depicting the age of the region’s municipal comprehensive plans. Williams-Clark announced that the final document was available and that staff is seeking approval of the update.

Chair of the Regional Coordinating Committee Elliott Hartstein reported that the committee had considered the update earlier in the morning and had approved by a majority vote to recommend approval to the full Board.

A motion by Vice-Chair Rita Athas to remove the Illiana project from the GO TO 2040 plan update was seconded by Frank Beal. A roll call vote was taken:

	Yes	No	Absent
Athas	1		

	Yes	No	Absent
Beal	1		
Claar		1	
Hartstein	1		
Larson	1		
Laws	1		
Madigan			1
Raymundo	1		
Reinbold		1	
Rodeghier	1		
Rupp Srch		1	
Schofield	1		
Silvestri	1		
Weisner		1	
Bennett	1		
Total	10	4	1

The motion failed.

A motion by Mayor Roger Claar was seconded by President Rick Reinbold to adopt the plan update as presented (including the Illiana project).

	Yes	No	absent
Athas		1	
Beal		1	
Claar	1		
Hartstein		1	
Larson		1	
Laws		1	
Madigan			1
Raymundo		1	
Reinbold	1		
Rodeghier		1	
Rupp Srch	1		
Schofield		1	
Silvestri		1	
Weisner	1		
Bennett		1	
Total	4	10	1

The motion failed. The CMAP Board did not approve the plan update.

5.0 Executive Director's Report

Briefly, Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported that the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program update had been included in the Board packet, and that October marks the birthday/anniversary of the CMAP Board (and the birthday of the Board Chair Mayor Bennett).

6.0 Committee Reports

Local Coordinating Committee Chair Rita Athas reported that the committee had met earlier in the morning. The Committee considered twenty-five (25) new Local Technical Assistance (LTA) projects staff had recommended for approval and offered its recommendation for the Board to approve those projects. Athas also reported that staff, having held a series of discussions with the working committees over the summer, conducted a thorough evaluation of the first three years of programming of the LTA, and discussed the following three primary themes that had emerged:

1. Local commitment is the primary factor driving success, and future programs should ensure full commitment by the local sponsors;
2. Plans are only as good as their implementation, and the program should become more systematic in involving partner organizations in implementation;
3. The wide range of topics covered in the program should continue, which requires external resources to support the program.

Regional Coordinating Committee Chair Elliott Hartstein reported that the Regional Coordinating Committee had also met earlier in the morning, had considered the GO TO 2040 Plan Update and the CMAQ Management Policies, both of which were being recommended for approval by the CMAP Board. A question was raised regarding the inability to pay for phase I engineering and Hartstein reported that there is a hardship provision that municipalities can exercise.

7.0 Selection of Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Projects

CMAP staff Bob Dean reported that the recommendations for selection of the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Projects had been considered by the Transportation Committee at its meeting on October 3, 2014 and again on October 8, 2014 by the Local Coordinating Committee, and both had recommended approval of the twenty-five (out of 100 applications) new projects by the CMAP Board.

A motion by Mayor Al Larson to approve the selection of the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) projects, as presented, was seconded by Rae Rupp Srch. All in favor, the motion carried.

8.0 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Programming and Management Policies

CMAP staff Jesse Elam reported that staff had performed a thorough review of the CMAQ programming and management policies. Reviewed by the CMAQ Project Selection

Committee, the Transportation Committee and the Regional Coordinating Committee, Elam also stated that staff was seeking approval of the update.

A motion by Rita Athas was seconded by Rae Rupp Srch to approve the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Programming and Management Policies as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

10.0 Regional Exports Initiative

Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn introduced John Greuling of the Will County Center for Economic Development to give an overview of this initiative to increase our region's exports. Following his presentation, Blankenhorn added, the board would be asked to contribute \$100,000 (over a two year period) to support the effort. This funding will help leverage the private funding committed by JP Morgan Chase.

Greuling stated that export activity fosters innovation and supports regional jobs, thanked Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and reported that Metro Chicago Exports will assist manufacturers and business service companies in reaching international markets, focusing on the following three initial strategies: a) build a pipeline of export ready firms; b) strengthen the export ecosystem; and c) reduce the initial business costs to reach new markets.

A motion by Mayor Roger Claar was seconded by Rita Athas, authorizing a \$100,000 contribution to support Metro Chicago Exports over a two-year period. All in favor, the motion carried.

9.0 Other Business

Board Chair Mayor Bennett reported briefly that he and Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn had met with RTA Board Chair Kirk Dillard and Executive Director Leanne Redden. There was no other business before the CMAP Board.

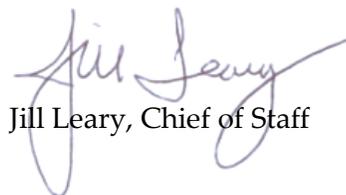
10.0 Next Meeting

The CMAP Board is scheduled to meet next on November 12, 2014.

11.0 Adjournment

A motion by Elliott Hartstein was seconded by President William Rodeghier to adjourn the regular meeting at 10:36 a.m. All in favor, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill Leary, Chief of Staff

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Approved as presented, by unanimous vote, November 12, 2014